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FROM: J. Tyler McCauley 
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SUBJECT: **STATUS REPORT - REVIEW OF COUNTY COUNSEL LITIGATION
COST MANAGEMENT (Board Agenda Item 18, March 27, 2007)**

At the March 27, 2007 meeting, your Board directed the Auditor-Controller to report on County Counsel's progress in implementing the recommendations from our January 29, 2007 report on Litigation Cost Management. Your Board also directed us to verify the expanded use of RMIS, and evaluate the usefulness and quality of management reports that monitor case status, budgetary controls, and document case decisions.

We are completing our review of the recommendations that County Counsel has indicated they have implemented or substantially implemented. We are also evaluating County Counsel's expanded use of RMIS. We expect to complete our review and issue our report to your Board by September 14, 2007.

Please call if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Terri Kasman at (626) 293-1121.

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